

Appl. No. 10/667,117

PATENT

Amdt. dated August 24, 2005

Response to Notice of Allowance August 10, 2005 and of August 17, 2005

REMARKS

The subject application was allowed by the U.S. Patent Office per a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed on April 4, 2005. The issue fees were paid for this case on June 21, 2005.

Applicant received a communication mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on August 10, 2005, and a duplicate communication mailed on August 17, 2005. Per that communication:

The drawings filed on 09/17/03 have been received. . .

Figures 23 are contained in the Drawings but not listed in the.

Brief Description . . . Applicant is required to correct the above-noted inconsistency within a time period of ONE MONTH . . .

Applicant requests entry of an Amendment to the Specification to comply with the instructions of the Office of Patent Publications under §714.16(b)(III) of the M.P.E.P. Applicant notes that the text being inserted into the Brief Description of the Drawings has been taken word for word from the first sentence of paragraph [0059] on page 19 of the originally filed Specification. Hence, no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Entry of this amendment is respectfully urged since it merely cures a formal defect in one of the claims and does not touch the merits.

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